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John Phillipe Republican National Committee 310 First Street, SE Washington, DC 20003

**RE:** MUR 6276

Michael Steele; and the Republican National Committee and Randall Pullen, in his official capacity as

treasurer

Dear Mr. Phillippe:

On April 27, 2010, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") notified your clients, Michael Steele; and the Republican National Committee and Randall Pullen, in his official capacity as treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

On April 26, 2011, the Commission considered the complaint, but there was an insufficient number of votes to find reason to believe, or no reason to believe, that Michael Steele; and the Republican National Committee and Randall Pullen, in his official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f). Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66132 (Dec. 14, 2009). One or more Statements of Reasons explaining the Commission's decisions will follow.

If you have any questions, please contact Ana J. Peña-Wallace, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Peter G. Blumberg

**Assistant General Counsel**